## **CLAIM LISTING**

The following claim listing will replace all prior versions of the claims in this application.

- 1-14. (Cancelled)
- 15. (Previously Presented) A portable power outlet protection system, comprising:

a manifold comprising a first portion and a second portion;
means for securing said portions in a closed position;
at least one power outlet positioned within said manifold; and
wherein at least a part of said manifold is constructed of fire-resistant
material.

- 16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, wherein said manifold further comprises means for skid-resistance.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, wherein said manifold further comprises at least one ventilation aperture.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, wherein said manifold further comprises at least one conduit aperture.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, further comprising means for gathering and storing electrical cord within said manifold.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, further comprising means for attaching said outlet to the interior of said manifold.

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21. (Currently Amended) A portable power outlet protection system, comprising:

a manifold comprising a first portion and a second portion; at least one power outlet located within said manifold; and a child-resistant means for securing said portions in a closed position[[; and]].

wherein at least a part of said manifold is constructed of fire resistant material.

- 22. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, wherein said manifold further comprises means for skid-resistance.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, wherein said manifold further comprises at least one ventilation aperture.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, wherein said manifold further comprises at least one conduit aperture.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, further comprising means for gathering and storing electrical cord within said manifold.
- 26. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 21, further comprising means for attaching said outlet to an interior surface of said manifold.

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27. (Previously Presented) A method for protecting a portable power strip, comprising the steps of:

acquiring a manifold having:

a first portion;

a second portion releasably attached to said first portion wherein said portions define an interior; and

a power strip with surge protection located within said interior; wherein at least a part of said manifold is constructed of fire-resistant material; and

plugging at least one electrical cord into said power outlet.

- 28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 27, further comprising the step of providing a child-resistant means for securing said portions in a closed position.
- 29. (Currently Amended) A portable power outlet protection system, comprising:

a manifold comprising a first portion and a second portion; at least one power outlet located within said manifold; and[[,]] a child-resistant means for securing said portions in a closed position.

- 30. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29, further comprising means for gathering and storing electrical cord within said manifold.
- 31. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29, wherein said manifold further comprises means for skid-resistance.

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